

## Clay County Correctional Facility / Jail

Located in Moorhead, Clay County operates a jail, detox center and juvenile detention center.

The existing jail is inadequate and needs to be replaced.



## Clay County's #1 Priority Build a new correctional facility / jail.



### Urgent Issues:

- ! Border county adjacent to Fargo and Cass County, ND.
- ! 30% of inmates are North Dakota residents.
- ! Growing Metropolitan Statistical Area population. Currently at 226,520 people.
- ! Need for a 188 bed facility with Behavioral Health component.
- ! Department of Corrections governs cell sizes, staffing, programming, diet.

### Goal

The goal of the Clay County jail is the protection of the citizens of Clay County by providing a deterrent to crime and by returning violators to the community with a more responsible attitude toward themselves and the community. It is recognized that one of the most important factors is to also provide a safe and secure place for the inmates and staff.



# Clay County Jail

## Needs:

There are several pressing reasons for a new Correctional Facility in Clay County:

- ! Current jail is obsolete per Department of Corrections guidelines
  - o Design is outdated (Rule 2911)
  - o Oldest jail in the state
  - o Cell size is not compliant
- ! Overcrowding
  - o 40 + inmates transported daily
  - o Out of County housing sites are 100+ miles away
  - o Transportation costs are significant
  - o Other counties experiencing lack of beds
- ! Need space for inmate separation
  - o Behavioral health (mental health, chemical dependency)
  - o Gender
  - o Classification of crime
- ! General lack of space
  - o Programming
  - o Storage
  - o Laundry
  - o Kitchen is non-functional



## Partnership

State - County partnership

Department of Correction oversees County Jails.

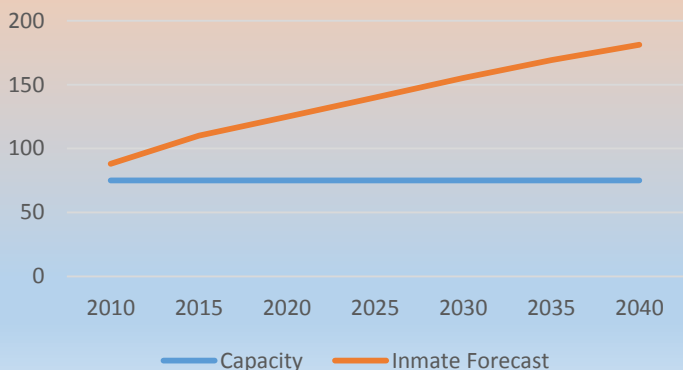
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### Average Daily Jail Inmates



### Clay County Population

